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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants identify the documents listed on the modified form PTO-1449 accompanying this submission. Copies of the publications listed are enclosed for the Examiner's consideration

Remarks

Applicants enclose a copy of U.S. Patent No. 4,894,885 which is the English-language family member of European Document No. 0 262 289 A1.

Applicants do not concede that the identified materials constitute prior art within the meaning of the United States patent laws.

Applicants file this paper pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3), before the mailing of a first Office action and, therefore, believe that no fee is due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 11-0855 for any such fee due should Applicants' be mistaken.

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